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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:	GROUP ART UNIT: 1638
Delzer, Brent	
APPLICATION NO: 09/770,703	EXAMINER: Ibrahim, Medina Ahmed
FILED: January 26, 2001	CONFIRMATION NO: 6804
FOR: Inbred Maize Line NP2174	

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of September 10, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

In the claims:

Please cancel claim 45.

Please amend the following claims:

5. (Amended) A maize plant, or parts thereof, having all the physiological and morphological characteristics of the plant according to claim 2.

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